MR. GRIGGS TO FOLLOW

EXPECTED THAT HEARING WILL

CLOSE TODAY.

Claim Set Up That Anti-Trust Law Does Not Prohibit Stock

Purchases.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., March 20 .- Counsel for the defense continued argument in the Northern securities merger case, the forenoon session being opened by Attorney C. W. Bunn, counsel for the Northern Pacific railroad. It is thought probable by the attorneys yet to talk that argument in the case will be finished today.

Former Attorney General Griggs will close for the defendants and Special Counsel Watson of Pittsburg will close for the gov-

Attorney Bunn in his argument this morning endeavored to demonstrate that the anti-trust act does not hold that it is unlawful for one railway to control a competing line.

An abstract of his argument follows: "In this suit the United States seeks to enjoin the Northern Securities Company from owning and voting the stock of the two railway companies engaged partly in interstate commerce. It is asserted that the owning by one corporation of a majority of the stock of the street railway companies is prohibited by an act passed by Congress July 2, 1890. The act does not say that it is unlawful for one railway to buy, lease, own or control a competing railway. Nor is one person or corporation forbidden in terms to own stock in two competing railways. is only because they necessarily restrain commerce among the several states.

Language is Indefinite.

"The broad generality and indefiniteness of the language of the law call for great care in its interpretation and application to particular cases.

"For its validity the act rests alone on article 1, section 8, of the Constitution of the United States, which gives power to Congress 'to regulate commerce with forelgn nations and among the states and with the Indian tribes." Being passed in execution of this power, the statute cannot be interpreted more broadly than the grant of power itself.

"All the ordinary legislative power of government, the general right to legis ate concerning contracts and property rights, and for the welfare, good order and morals of the people, is reserved by the Constitution to the states. Congress must exercise its power to regulate commerce with reference to the powers of the states. It can no more infringe on their reserved power than they can on its granted power.

"That Congress has not the constitutional power, under the guise of regulating com-merce, to prescribe the general rules by or under which either real estate or personal property, stocks or bonds, may be bought, owned, sold, passed by descent or willed within the states, must be admitted. Much less can Congress say that a man may not

cause he may intend to use the same in a

intent to monopolize or restrict interstate

Limitations of Congress

"No more can Congress restrict the right of partnerships or corporations organized by virtue of state laws to buy within the states, either real or personal property, including stocks and bonds. Again, if a contract, arrangement, or combination does not restrain interstate trade, it is immaterial whether it has the sanction of state law or not. A state law must yield to the vested in Congress. In the case at bar or in any similar case, the transaction must be treated as if fully authorized by state law. "For a holding company to own the plainly no more prohibited by the act than for one interstate carrier to purchase, lease or otherwise control the property of a paror competing carrier.

strengthened by the fact that everything which falls within the prohibition of the act is made a crime, everything denounced as illegal is criminal. It is little short of absurd to suppose that Congress intended to make it a crime for a man to buy stock in two competing interstate railway companies; or having stock in one to go in partnership with one who has stock in another; or to promote the formation of a corporation to acquire stock in both; or as director or officer of a corporation already formed to engage in acquiring such stocks, or to promote the consolidation of two competing interstate carriers, or the lease or purchase by one of another. It is certainly not too much to require that if Congress had intended to make these things crimes it should have said so."

COMPANY MAKES PROPOSITION. All Employes of New Haven Asked to Take Part.

NEW HAVEN, Conn. March 20 .- Almost simultaneously with the assembling today of the grievance committee of the conductors and trainmen of the New York. New Haven and Hartford railroad the reply of the directors to the men's demands was made public at President Hall's office. The reply announces a proposition counter to that of the men. The railroad company proposes to secure from its operating department figures on which new wage schedules can be offered to the men on Wednesday, March 25, and desires the grievance committee to arrange that not only trainmen and conductors, but all other classes of employes shall be included in the ne-

grievance committee, and shortly thereafter that body went into secret session. Later a reply was sent to President Hall, saying, effect, that the committee would comply with the wish of the board of directors and await a further message from the board on

THREE WOMEN KILLED.

Struck by Engine While Dodging Train on Another Track. PHILLIPSDALE, R. I., March 20.-Three

women were instantly killed and a fourth was probably fatally injured today while walking from Pawtucket to this place on the tracks of the New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad. The victims in trying to avoid a train

were struck by an engine on another track. The killed: Rose McAloon, Bridget White. Mary McTferney. Injured: Lizzie Mc-

The women were all under twenty years of age. They were walking on the tracks from their home to the Glenyon dye works at this place, where they were em-ployed. Miss McAloon, Miss White and ployed. Miss McAloon, Miss White and Miss McKnight lived in Pawtucket, and Miss McTierney in Central Falls.

Habeas Corpus for Wright.

NEW YORK, March 20 .- Judge Lacombe in the United States circuit court today signed an order granting an application for a writ of habeas corpus and certiorari for Whitaker Wright, returnable next Monlay, at which time the court will consider the question whether the prisoner is en-titled to be released on ball.

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License on Application.

If the owners, present or prospective, of the Washington base ball team desire to change their playing grounds from the American League Park, near 14th and H streets northeast to the old National Park on 7th street near Florida avenue north-west, the District authorities are prepared to grant them a license and the necessary permits for the erection of stands, etc. Mr. Wilton J. Lambert, attorney for the Washington Club, recently applied to the Commissioners through the building office for a permit to erect grandstand, bleachers, etc., at National Park. The stands formerly used there have been taken down and destroyed. At the same time the Commissioners received a number of protests against the change to the old grounds by

residents in that locality.

The matter was first referred to the as sessor. Mr. Darneille, who reported back that the new license law provides for the licensing of base ball games. He also stated that the law did not require that any permission should be obtained before a li-cense is granted. He held that should the

cense is granted. He need that should the club apply for the license he would of necessity have to issue one.

Colonel Biddle, the Engineer Commissioner, stated that the matter of the stands could be arranged, provided the playing of ball at the locality mentioned was allowed. He thought the initiative was allowed. He thought the initiative should come from the Commissioner in

charge of the police department. Commissioner West, who has supervision of the police, today recommended to his associates that Mr. Lambert be informed that a license will be granted to the club upon application. He says that the attorney should be informed, however, that this will not prevent the Commissioners from-taking action in case of complaints as to disorderly conduct, etc.

PRACTICALLY SETTLED.

Mr. John R. McLean's Offer to Old Dominion R. R. Accepted.

The terms of the agreement recently referred to in The Star by which the control of the Old Dominion and Great Falls Rallroad Company is to pass into the hands of Mr. John R. McLean have, it is stated, been substantially complied with. The construction of the road from the Georgetown end of the Aqueduct bridge to Great Falls will be begun as soon as practicable. According to the understanding which has been reached Mr. McLean will have a controlling interest in the road. He will either furnish the money himself to build the road or he will finance the enterprise It is estimated that the building of the road including a power house plant, will cost

It is understood that Mr. Robert D. Weaver will be the president of the road.

EXTRA SESSION NECESSARY. President Palma Will Be Asked to

Convene Congress at Once. Acting Secretary Loomis and Mr. Quesada, the Cuban minister, today, after discussing the prospects of exchange of ratifications of the Cuban treaty within the time l'mit, decided to cable President Palma requesting him to call the Cuban congress in extraordinary session, as that body would not otherwise meet until April 7, seven days after the expiration of the legal time for the exchange of ratifications.

SECRETARY HAY'S RETURN.

Greatly Benefited in Health by His Stay at Thomasville.

Secretary Hay returned to Washington today. He attended the cabinet meeting and afterward went to the State Department. He enjoyed a period of perfect rest during his fortnight's stay at Thomasville, and came back greatly benefited in health.

Medal for One of the Puritan's Men. J. Ryan, a sailor, now serving on the monitor Puritan in Hampton Roads, has been presented by the British government with a beautiful solid silver medal, in recognition of his service as a trooper in the Canadian Scouts in the campaigns in the Transvaal, Orange Free State and the Cape Colony. The medal was forwarded through the State Department, and will be delivered to Ryan at the first opportunity.

Successful Trial of the Florida. Word was received at the Navy Department today that the monitor Florida, which was built at the Nixon shipbuilding yard, had a very successful trial over the Long Island course, off Bridgeport, yesterday. Her contract speed is 11½ knots, but she exceeded that by 1.44 knots. Her reported speed, however, does not make allowance for tidal correction.

Commissioner Allen's Departure. Mr. F. I. Allen, commissioner of patents left for Auburn, N. Y., his home town, this evening, where he will remain until the 26th instant. While in Auburn Mr. Allen will attend a banquet of the Business Men's Association of that city, when he will respond to the toast "The Inventive Genius of the Country."

Applied for Habeas Corpus Writs. Application was made in the United States Supreme Court today for writs of habeas corpus and certiorari in the cases of William W. Watts and David A. Saches, who are incarcerated in the county jail of Floyd county, Ind. The question involved is one of jurisdiction between the state court of Indiana and the United States district court of that state in bankruptcy proceedings.

Two Big Tanneries Insolvent.

BUFFALO, N. Y., March 20 .- C. Moensch & Sons Company and Moensch, Fisher & Gaensslen of Gowanda, two of the biggest tannery concerns in this part of the country, are insolvent. Application for the appointment of receivers for both companies was made today.

Charles Godfrey Leland Dead. PHILADELPHIA, March 20 .- A cablegram from Florence, Italy, announces the death today in that city of Charles Godfrey Leland, the author and journalist.

Two Divorces Granted.

A decree has been granted by Justice Gould, in Equity Court No. 2, granting John T. Thornton a divorce from Ida Thornton on the ground of desertion. Justice Hagner, in Equity Court No. 1 this afternoon signed a decree granting Lucy Margaret Sommers a divorce from Walter A. Sommers on the ground of cruelty. By the terms of the decree the malden name, Harrison, of the petitioner is restored to her.

For Guidance of Police on Detail.

Maj. Sylvester issued rules today for the guidance of the policemen who are detailed at the Emergency Hospital. Two men are detailed at the hospital. Under the rules issued today they will be required to perform twelve hours' duty each day, changing at 8 a.m. and 8 p.m. They are directed to make prompt reports of accidents, homi-cides and casualties and take charge of

Two Conscience Contributions.

THE

Break Reported in Levee at Pecan Point.

BIG CREVASSE OPENED

ADDITIONAL FLOOD POURS INTO ST. FRANCIS BASIN.

Water at New Orleans Has Reached the High Record

MEMPHIS, Tenn., March 20 .- In spite of heroic work by hundreds of men, the levee near Pecan Point, forty miles north, is reported to have given way at an early hour this morning, and a vast column of water is running through a crevasse four hundred feet wide.

Pecan Point is twenty miles north of Trice's Landing, where the first break occurred, and the additional flood being let into the St. Francis basin will cause the waters to rise more rapidly through the lowlands.

The reports of the sufferings of the peo ple at Marion are believed to be somewhat exaggerated. Every opportunity has been given those remaining there to get out of the flooded district, but they decline to leave. President Killough of the St. Francis levee board says that while the situation is serious, there has been no actual distress except in a few isolated cases.

Break at North Helena. Another break is reported at North Helena, where the waters are rushing through an eight-foot gap in the small levee, flooding the north section and driving many negroes to high land.

The railroad situation on the west side of the river is unchanged. No trains are moving, and it will be several days after the waters recede before the tracks can be put in shape for traffic NEW ORLEANS, March 20 .- A rise of two-tenths was marked on the gauge here today, the river remaining 19.6, which the

government officials say was the maximum

attained during the record-breaking flood of

1897. Beyond the break at Bougere all the Louisiana levees have thus far held. GREENVILLE, Miss., March 20.—The protection dike at Leland, Ark., is rapidly slipping into the river, and it is now prob-able that the river will seek a new channel leaving Greenville in the interior. The sit-uation is grave, although Captain Bollinger thinks he can control it. The river is four feet above the 1807 mark, and rising at the rate of half a foot a day. Heavy rain fell

SHELTER FOR REFUGEES.

during the night.

War Department Will Furnish Tents and Supplies if Necessary.

Upon the receipt of a dispatch from the mayor of Memphis appealing for tents to shelter refugees from the overflowed districts along the Mississippi river, who are congregating in Memphis in large numbers, Secretary Root this morning wired the governor of Tennessee for a statement of the conditions. If it is found that the state is unable to cope with the situation the Secretary will at once authorize the loan of the necessary number of tents.

There is a general quartermaster's depot at Jeffersonville, Ind., and the tents prob-ably will be sent to Memphis from that

In addition to furnishing tents the War Department also will furnish commissary supplies if it is found to be necessary, Secretary Root was authorized to take this action at today's cabinet meeting.

MRS. DONOHUE EXONERATED.

Court Holds Esther Archer Guilty of Placing Acid in Medicine.

Mrs. Bessie Donohue, sixteen years of age, a bride of three weeks, who resides with her husband at 628 Callan street northeast, and Esther Archer, a fourteen-year-old colored girl, employed as a domestic at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Holloway Furrow, 727 7th street northeast, appeared before Judge Scott in the juvenile court late this afternoon, charged, jointly, with making assault

on Mr. Furrow. The Archer girl entered a plea of guilty. while Mrs. Donohue, who was represented by Attorney Albert Sillers, pleaded not

It was stated in evidence that carbolic acid had been placed in a bottle of medicine which was used by Mr. Furrow Tueswas stated in evidence that carbolic day last, but not enough to cause serious

Archer girl admitted putting the acid in the medicine, and claimed that Mrs. Furrow told her to do it. Mrs. Donohue, she said, saw her do it. Mrs. Donohue denied all knowledge of the matter, and Mrs. Furrow also denied the statement

made by the colored girl.

The court held that the charge against Mrs. Donohue had not been substantiated, and discharged her from custody. The Archer girl was sent to the reform school, where she will remain until she is twenty-

one years of age, unless sooner released. BANK OFFICIAL ARRESTED.

G. B. White Charged With Looting Bank at Hyndman, Pa.

PHILADELPHIA, March 20.-George B. White, vice president of the South Pennsylvania National Bank of Hyndham, Bedford county, Pa., was arrested here today by federal officers charged with conspiracy to wreck the bank. He is accused of looting the institution of \$20,000. He was taken before the United States commissioner for a hearing. White was held in \$8,000 ball for a fur-

ther hearing. The arrest was made by Deputy United States Marshal Meyers on a warrant sworn out by Special Bank Examiner W. A. Mason, who says he acted under instructions from Attorney General Knox.

Mr. Mason testified that he had been appointed receiver of the defunct bank last December, and found irregularities amount-

Italians Reported Killed.

BOSTON, March 20.-The special train from New London bearing the majority of the Plymouth's passengers arrived here this afternoon. Among the passengers were several Italian immigrants, one of whom. Pasquale Mitelo, says that he is sure that a number of immigrants while others jumped overboard. He said: "I believe that about fifteen Italians perish-ed in the disaster. I saw five dead and I am satisfied that I saw at least ten more jump Another Italian says he saw seven of his countrymen leap into the sea after the col-

More Industrial Education.

Calls on Maj. Sylvester.

Col. George H. Pippy of the Union League Club of San Francisco, Cal., who came to Washington for the purpose of extending an invitation to Prasident Received. washington for the purpose of extending an invitation to President Roosevelt to visit that club during his stay in San Francisco, was a catler at police headquarters today. Col. Pippy has long been a personal friend of Major Sylvester, and his visit to headquarters today was for the purpose of seeing that official.

Two Conscience Contributions

THE EXECUTORS CITED TO AP-PEAR IN COURT.

Asked to Explain Why They Have Not Qualified-Suggestion That Col-

lectors Be Appointed. The Supreme Court of the District of Co-

umbia was today petitioned to require the persons named as executors in the will of Col. Nathaniel McKay to show cause why they have not qualified as such, and also why collectors of the estate should not be appointed. The petition was filed in the Probate Court by Francis B. Clark of New York, who is represented by Attorneys Lambert and Baker. Mr. Clark claims to be a creditor of the McKay estate to the amount of \$3,000. He is of the opinion that the settlement of the estate should be hastened, and, he says, as the assets are not now in the hands of any lawful custodian for the purpose of preserving the same, some proper person should be appointed collector.

Col. McKay died in last July while tem-

porarily sojourning in Atlantic City. He left a large amount of personal property, consisting of money in bank, stock in the Dewey Hotel Company and other enter-prises. A paper writing has been filed, alleged to be the will of deceased, and, it is explained, two parties have appeared, each claiming to be his widow.

No Steps Toward Settlement. The court is informed that, although the alleged will was filed several months ago and proceedings started in reference to the estate, no steps have been taken toward a definite settlement. The daughters of deeased, who are non-residents of the District, are represented by Attorneys Birney & Woodard and Attorney Charles C. Cole, who, the petitioner says, represents the executors under the alleged will.

The daughters have instituted proceed-ings in equity to set aside a deed to Mabel Grace McKay, who was married to Col. McKay shortly before his death, for the property 1311 K street, which is said to be worth about \$100,000. The further statement is made that the deceased had substantial interest in other valuable property on 13th street between K and L streets. The petitioner sets forth that he has waited patiently for months for some action to be taken toward the settlement of the estate and the adjustment of the differences between parties interested, but, in view of the time that has elapsed since the will was ordered by the court to be filed without any definite action having been taken, he believes it would be to his nterest and to the interest of the other creditors for the court to take immediate charge of the property. He further says that "no petition has been filed by the ex-ecutor asking for the probate of the will, and that there is nothing on the records showing objection to the will, except as to the last domicile of the deceased, upon which no attempt has been made to raise

AGED MINISTER DEAD. Rev. Daniel C. Weston, D. D., Passes

Away in 89th Year of Age. Rev. Daniel Conyo Weston, D.D., died in this city today in the eighty-ninth year of his age. He was born in Augusta, Me., February 24, 1815, and was the son of Nathan Weston, who was chief justice of Maine for many years. He was also the uncle of Chief Justice Melville W. Fuller of the United States Supreme Court.

Dr. Weston entered Bowdoin College at the age of sixteen, and after graduating he practiced law for several years, and then copal Church, where he was actively engaged for twenty-six years, having charge of the parishes of Sonington and Stratford, Conn., and Madison, N. J. He received his degree of doctor of divinity from Trinity College, Hartford, Conn. He served as chaplain of the Sons of the Pavalution of

chaplain of the Sons of the Revolution of New York for many years.

He married the daughter of Col. Wm. Augusta Steuben North of Duanesburgh, N. Y. His wife died in 1882. There were six children born to them, one of whom, Mrs. Francis B. Austin, survives him.

Dr. Weston was much beloved by his parishioners and by all who knew him. Funeral services will be held in the Church of the Epiphany Sunday at 5 o'clock p.m. The interment will be in Woodlawn cemetery,

SENTENCES IMPOSED.

Terms of Imprisonment Given to

Various Malefactors. Justice Anderson, in Criminal Court No. , today imposed sentences as follows: Toney Stewart, embezzlement, eight nonths in jail; Charles Wilson, alias Henry Jackson, housebreaking, twelve years in the New Jersey state prison at Trenton; Charles Wade, arson, four years at Trenton; Samuel Johnson, assault and battery, six months in jail; David Johnson, assault with a dangerous weapon, eighteen months

at Trenton. Sentence was suspended in the case of Frederick C. Sefton, convicted of simple assault in connection with discharging a revolver at his brother, A. W. Sefton, jr.
In Criminal Court No. 2 today Henry
Sims and Mabel Gray, convicted of robbery,
were sentenced by Justice Barnard to imprisonment for five years each in the New Jersey state prison at Trenton. In the same court Joseph Bell withdrew

his plea of not guilty of a charge of com-mitting an assault with a dangerous weapon and pleaded guilty. He was sen-tenced to imprisonment in the District jail for six months. Justice Barnard suspended sentence in the case of John Connor, who withdrew his plea of not guilty and pleaded guilty to a charge of housebreaking.

Certificates of Incorporation. Articles of incorporation of "The Fraternity Printing and Supply Company" were placed on record this afternoon. The incorporators are N. Bunch, F. W. Alexander, A. J. Schippert, F. Harold Deland and

William H. Young. A certificate of incorporation of "The Mancaspana Oil Company" has been filed in the office of the recorder of deeds by J. K. Summers, W. E. Farnham, J. C. Spotts-wood, A. J. Lanza, Charles T. Cabrera, R. B. Redington and A. P. Madina,

Shepherd Memorial Fund. Mr. W. V. Cox, acting chairman of the finance committee of the Shepherd me-

morial fund, acknowledges the following subscriptions to the fund:
Previously acknowledged \$9,313 00
Thomas Hyde 50 00
James H. Forsyth 10 00 J. B. Thompson C. L. Sturtevaht [].....

Indictments by the Grand Jury. The grand jury this afternoon reported indictments as follows: Samuel Sims, murder, first degree.

Frank Pollard, James Gray, William Adams, Richard Meany and Gilbert Chapman, each for housebreaking; James Martin and Henry Nelson, each for assault with a dangerous weapon; Reuben Voyer, for robbery and housebreaking; George L. Boswell, emand housebreaking; George L. Boswell, em-bezzlement; J. Harry Byram, jr., violation of section 5456 Revised Statutes of the United States; David Murray, embezzle-ment; Waverly; Walker, Augustus Wilson and Joseph Yates, each for larceny; Her-bert Gould, violation of section 5467 Revised Statutes of the United States; Dennis Sulli-van and Moses Dade seek Dennis Sullivan and Moses Dade, each for receiving stolen property; Robert Grady, Charles Lee and James Henson, each for robbery; Ed-ward F. Fane, robbery,

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Mekay ESTATE PENALTY OF MURDER

Benj. G. Hill to Expiate Crime on Gallows.

TO BE HANGED MAY 15

SENTENCE PRONOUNCED TODAY IN CRIMINAL COURT.

Was Convicted of Killing His Wife-Makes a Statement Touching His Crime.

Justice Anderson, in Criminal Court No. , this afternoon sentenced Benjamin G. Hill, convicted of the murder of his wife, Carrie Theoda Hill, by shooting her November 8 last, while in a boarding house conducted by Mrs. Hill, at 315 Missouri' avenue, to be hanged at the District jail Friday, May 15, next, between the hours of 12 o'clock noon and 2 o'clock p.m. Counsel for the defendant noted an appeal to the Court of Appeals.

The scene in the court room about the time sentence was pronounced was an impressive one. Hill made the first statement he has uttered regarding the details of the shooting since the happening of the tragedy. When asked by Justice Anderson if he had anything to say before sentence was pronounced, the convicted man replied in the affirmative. Carefully adjusting his eyeglass, he began to speak, his voice wavering with emotion.

Hill remarked that with the sad and

awful sentence of death about to be pro-nounced upon him, he, of course, would speak nothing but the truth. He is now more than sixty years of age, he said, and never before had he, or any member of his family, been charged with any offense against the law. He was a native of Virginia, he added, and up to a short time ago had lived a good life. When quite young he had married, and was the father of six ago. He had expected to live happily with his second wife, because he loved her.

Served in Union Army. According to the defendant, he served through the civil war with honor and credit to himself, and for a time was an inmate of the Soldiers' Home at Hampton, Va., and also served as superintendent of the Soldiers' Home on C street, in this city. Later he served as a city guide, and, with his pension, managed to make a comfortable income, which he divided with his second

His trouble with his wife, the prisoner explained, resulted from her undue familiarity with other men, particularly one, who, he said, had proved to be "one of the swiftest witnesses" at the trial. The convicted man said he asked his wife to make the person referred to leave the boarding ouse, but she refused to do so.

house, but she refused to do so.

Hill said he then left home and returned to Hampton, coming back to this city last Decoration day, but he declared his wife's conduct was so flagrant that they quarreled, and he again left home. After the lapse of several days he went back and tried to make up with his wife, but she reulsed his advances. Hill felt so lonely, he went on to say, that he purchased a revolver, with which he intended to end his life. He walked the streets seeking a place where he could end everything, but his love for his wife overcame him and he again went to her. As he entered the dining room Hill says he saw the man referred to sitting at Hill's place at the table with a contemptuous sneer on his face. Mrs. Hill said to her husband,

"Get out; you old duffer! An "Awful Demon."

"Some awful demon took possession of me, with the terrible result known to everybody." added the prisoner. "I always had the most tender and kindest regard for dear little Bertha, and would not have harmed her for anything. They say I shot at her also. I did not realize what I was doing. I rushed into the back yard for the purpose of killing myself but the pistol snapped and the

this morning," said "Pa" Daly, cheerily, to the big crowd of horsemen at the Gravesend track yesterday, as he walked out on the asked. back stretch and instructed his boys how to

back stretch and instructed his boys how to ride Himself and Daly, his two Benning handicap candidates. "But I will give you an idea just how good your uncle's horses are. Always bear in mind, children, that 'Pa' has a few pounds of speed in reserve."

Daly, with a big boy up, and accompanied by Ben Howard, worked seven furlongs in 1.30½. He had speed to loan and fought for his head all the way. He beat Ben Howard a block without the slightest effort. His trial was impressive when the bleak wind and dead track are considered. Had he been ridden out to the limit of his speed he could have accomplished his task in 1.23-time that will win any kind of a race at seven furlongs in the early spring. Himself went the circuit of the track in 1.40. As he is keyed up for a hard race, "Pa," who was anxious to keep him fresh for the opening event at Washington on Monday, told the boy to "never let him down." The jockey obeyed the order to the letter. He held Himself under a choking pull all the way, and the son of Himyar merely cantered the distance.

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ing pull all the way, and the son of Himyar merely cantered the distance.

Subsequently "Pa" sent a quartet of two-year-olds—Farmer Wheeler, Josephine Louise, Hartford and Lorlllard—a half mile. The filly defeated the colts easily by three lengths in 51% seconds. The showing made by Lorillard, who finished third, aroused the sarcasm of the trainers, for "Pa" has on many occasions confided to his "children" that he had a crack-a-jack in Lorillard. When the rival trainers advised him to sell Lorillard quickly, before the colt lost his speed completely, "Pa" retorted with: "Lorillard finished just where I keep him in that place all the way.' The Daly string will be shipped to Benning tomorrow. Among the lot will be Iconoclast, San Andres and Vartray, selling plater that worked a mile easily in 1.45%.

Royal, the Brooklyn handicap horse that Gravesend event in the future books, sent two miles at a canter and then worked a half mile in 0.521/2. This move was made with the big chestnut horse's head in the air. He had the speed of his running mate, Remorse, at all stages of the route, and

northwest had an unpleasant experience last night shortly before 7 o'clock, when his horse became frightened and ran away. and James Henson, each for robbery; Edward F. Fane, robbery.

Ola Butler, colored, twenty years old, was taken suddenly ill at her home, 341 Allen's court southwest, last night about 11 o'clock. The ambulance was summoned fracture of one less. The injured man way. He was getting out of his buggy in front of 1534 U street northwest when the animal started off. In attempting to catch hold of the reins Mr. Barber fell and cut his head. Three squares from where he was injured his horse fell and sustained at the color of the reins Mr. Barber fell and cut his head. Three squares from where he was injured his horse fell and sustained at the color of the reins Mr. Barber fell and cut his head. AN INSURANCE HEARING.

Question as to the Net Amount of Premium Receipts.

Thomas E. Drake, superintendent of in surance, recently gave a hearing to the sick benefit assessment life insurance associations organized under the general laws of the District, bearing upon the construction of section 650 of the code respecting "the net amount of its premium receipts," which the law specifies shall be the basic of taxation. Mr. Drake and A. H. O'Connor, assistant corporation counsel, agreed with the representatives of these companies that their construction of the law for tax-

ing such associations means gross premiums, less commissions paid, is correct. It occurred to Mr. Drake that this ruling It occurred to Mr. Drake that this ruling should apply to the regular capital stock insurance companies that do business on the casualty plan. He asked that a legal opinion be secured on the matter, so that the regular accident or casualty companies can apply for a refunder in case the opinion is favorable to such companies.

The matter was formally referred to the corporation counsel, and an opinion has been returned by Mr. O'Conhor, in which he says:

"Nothing is stated in the letter to show in what manner these companies do business, but my information is that their operations are similar to those of the sick benefit and life associations already con-sidered. If this information is correct I see no reason why the same rule should not apply to capital stock insurance companies that do business on the casualty plan."

NO TRACE OF GOLD BAR. Detectives at Detroit Say There is

Nothing to Give Out. DETROIT, Mich., March 20.-Nothing has developed today to help solve the mysterious disappearance Wednesday night from the Union depot office of the Pacific and Dominion Express Company of the ingot of gold valued at \$23,000. Supterintendent Newhall of the express company still refuses to talk to newspaper men, referring them to Capt. McDonnell of the detective depart-

to give out. can be learned the police have no clue to the whereabouts of the precious bar. Superintendent Newhall and the local official of the express company had several conferences during the morning with the de-

ment. The captain declares he has nothing

PACKERS FINED HEAVILY. Five Defendants in Missouri Ouster

Case Must Pay \$5,000 Each. JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., March 20 .- The Armour, Cudahy, Swift, Hammond and Schwartzschild & Sulzberger packing companies, the five defendants in the ouster proceedings brought by the attorney general of Missouri against the alleged beef combine last summer, were fined \$5,000 each in the Missouri supreme court today and ordered to pay the costs of the case, which amount to \$6,000. Unless the fines and costs are not paid within thirty days the defendants will be ousted from the state, so the court orders.

Building Permits Issued. Building permits were issued today as fol

Robert S. Beale, two two-story brick dwellings, 1336 and 1338 E street northeast. Cost, \$4,800.

Arminnie Palmer, one three-story and cellar brick dwelling, 1234 30th street northwest. Cost, \$4,500. James E. Mulcare, repairs to 1303 H street northwest. Cost, \$1,200.
N. E. Montgomery, repairs to 1743 Rhode Island avenue northwest. Cost, \$1,000.

Struck Oil While Mining Coal.

Spring Valley, in Wyoming, one of the picks struck a vein of oil that gushed out and completely deluged the whole place," said B. C. McCoy to a Star man at the Raleigh this morning. "The oil flowed steadily and quickl got beyond the control of the operators. Large quantities of it were baled out and put in tanks, barrels and kegs, but the bulk of it could not be gathered, so fast did it run in. It is estimated that the well will produce fifty bar-

rels of oil a day easily. Washington Stock Exchange.

into the back yard for the purpose of killing myself but the pistol snapped and the policemen were upon me before I could discharge the weapon. I don't recollect what words I used to the officers. I had been drinking whisky and was intoxicated.

"There never was murder in my heart. Let these my words be a warning to everybody of the dreadful consequences of drinking whisky and associating with unfaithful women. I never contemplated murder when I entered that dining room, and I had no thought of injuring anybody.

"I thank the court for the opportunity of saying this, the first statement I have made of the affair. I was unable to give my lawyers an intelligible account of the shooting. It was only last Tuesday, as I sat here in this court room, that my mind of a sudden cleared and all the details were made plain to me. I then asked that the imposition of sentence be postponed so that I could prepare a statement."

"PA" DALY'S STRING.

Himself, Daly and Other Cracks Take

Good Spins at Gravesend.

From the New York World.

"I won't show you any sensational work this morning," said "Pa" Daly, cheerily, to the big crowd of horsemen at the Gravesend the big crowd of horsemen at the Gravesend asked. Washington Savings Bank, 102 bid, 107 asked. Washington Railway and Electric, pref., 20 asked. Washington Savings Bank, 102 bid, 107 asked. Washington Savings

107 asked.

Railroad Stocks.—Capital Traction, *128 bid, 128% asked. Washington Railway and Electric, pref., 43 asked. Washington Railway and Electric, com., 10 National Bank Stocks.—Bank of Washington, 420

*Ex-dividend. Baltimore Markets.

Baltimore Markets.

BALTIMORE, Md., March 20.—Flour dull, unchanged; receipts, 17,426 barrels; exports, 5,560 barrels. Wheat very dull; spot and March, 784,2784; April, 784,279; May, 79; steamer No. 2 red, 754,744; receipts, 3,228 bushels; exports, 16,000 bushels; southern by sample, 70a19; do. on grade, 75a79. Corn firmer; spot and March, 494,3494; April, 494,3494; May, 49a404; steamer mixed, 464,3464; receipts, 110,914 bushels; exports, 94,286 bushels; southern white and yellow corn, 45a494; Oats firm; No. 2 white, 424,3433; No. 2 mixed, 41a, 414; receipts, 7,204 bushels. Rye firm; No. 2, 58 export, 60 up town; No. 2 western, 59 export, 61 up town; receipts, 7,394 bushels. Hay steady, unchanged; fancy imitation, 21a,23; fancy creamery, 27a,30; fancy ladie, 18a,19; fancy roll, 17a, 18; good roll, 16a,17; store-packed, 15a,17. Eggs steady, unchanged; fracy ladie, 18a,19; fancy roll, 17a, 18; good roll, 16a,17; store-packed, 15a,17. Eggs steady, unchanged; fancy ladie, 18a,19; fancy roll, 17a, 18; good roll, 16a,17; store-packed, 15a,17. Eggs steady, unchanged; fancy ladie, 18a,19; fancy roll, 17a, 18; good roll, 16a,17; store-packed, 15a,17. Eggs steady, unchanged; fancy ladie, 18a,19; fancy roll, 17a, 18; good roll, 16a,17; store-packed, 15a,17. Eggs steady, unchanged; fancy ladie, 18a,19; fancy roll, 17a, 18; good roll, 16a,17; store-packed, 15a,17. Eggs steady, unchanged; fancy ladie, 18a,19; fancy roll, 17a, 18; good roll, 16a,17; store-packed, 15a,17. Eggs steady, unchanged; fancy ladie, 18a,19; fancy roll, 17a, 18; good roll, 16a,17; store-packed, 15a,17. Eggs steady, unchanged; fancy ladie, 18a,19; fancy roll, 17a, 18; good roll, 16a,17; store-packed, 15a,17. Eggs steady, unchanged; fancy ladie, 18a,19; fancy roll, 17a, 18; good roll, 16a,17; store-packed, 15a,17. Eggs steady, unchanged; fancy ladie, 18a,19; fancy roll, 17a, 18; good roll, 16a,17; store-packed, 15a,17. Eggs steady, unchanged; fancy ladie, 18a,19; fancy roll, 17a, 18; good roll, 16a,17; good roll, 17a, 18; good roll, 17a, 18; good roll, 1

CHICAGO, Merch 20.-Pro

Grain, Provisions and Cotton Markets.

FINANCE AND TRADE

Stocks Were Generally Strong Again Today.

SUGAR AN EXCEPTION

DISAPPOINTMENT OVER DELAY IN CUBAN TREATY.

Sharp Favorable Reaction in Metro-

politan and Other Street Rail-

way Shares.

Special Dispatch to The Evening Star. NEW YORK, March 20 .- The early London market for Americans was irregular, but in the later trading there were recoveries to about our closing prices, with two exceptions, Southern Pacific showing 1% per cent decline, while Canadian Pacific was up

over a point. The local stock market opened quietly but with prices generally higher, Southern Pacific being the exception, with an opening loss of 1% per cent. This decline was quickly recovered, the stock gaining enough

duckly recovered, the stock gaining enough to make it sell ½ per cent above yesterday's final quotation. From this level another reaction followed, carrying the price down near opening figures.

Canadian Pacific made the best gain here, as was the case in London, the stock opening in a part cent and made further free. ing up 1 per cent and made further frac-

Louisville and Nashville gained %, Union Pacific and St. Paul % per cent, Minnesota and St. Louis 4 per cent on unconfirmed rumors of a transaction involving the control of the road. Pennsylvania also showed some early strength, due to the scarcity of the stock in the street. The local traction shares all showed good

strength and the demand for Brooklyn Rapid Transit, Metropolitan and Manhattan was better than for some time past. Met-ropolitan seemed to be the most wanted by the shorts and the price quickly gained 2% per cent on buying for that account. Man-hattan gained about 1 per cent and Brookhattan gained about 1 per cent and Brooklyn Rapid Transit ½ per cent. The steel
shares, though not active, showed firmness.
Sugar, after opening at about yesterday's
closing figures, lost 1½ per cent on sales
by disappointed bulls over the status of the
Cuban reciprocity treaty, many holders not
relishing the long-expected delay before action is taken on the measure by the House
of Representatives. The best informed
people, however, continue bullish on this
specialty, and expect to see higher prices specialty, and expect to see higher prices for the stock this spring and summer.

After the opening the market continued to show an improving tendency, good improvements being scored in most of the active shares, the more prominent gains being scored in Baltimore and Ohio, Canadian Pacific, Louisville and Nashville, Pacific, Lead securities, St. Paul and the local traction shares. Bonds were firm in the early dealings and business somewhat

The banks lost \$594,000 to the subtreasury yesterday. Since Friday they have lost \$1,008,000, and this compares with a loss last week of \$4,406,000, and a loss two weeks ago of \$6,123,000.

In the midday trading the market was not so active, and prices generally showed

slight reactions from the best. The market, however, continued to show a good undertone of strength, and there was no real pressure observable anywhere. London and commission houses were good buyers in the earlier market and the pools in Baltimore and Ohio, Louisville and Nashville and Canadian Pacific were active in their re-

The anxiety over the Southern Pacific-Union Pacific troubles appeared to be di-minishing, and there was less talk of a possibility of a corner in the former stock. Time money rates, one of the real factors to the speculation just now, continued to show a fairly easy tone, while call rates were not oppressively firm, the last loan being 5% per cent.

In the early afternoon trading the market

enjoyed a little more activity, and as here-tofore for the past few days rallies followed. The greatest activity and strength at this time was shown by Metropolitan Street Railway stock, a security that has fallen about 10 points within the past two weeks, parently by a political bear pool, who were responsible for a good many unscrupulous rumors regarding the finances of the comsome extent by the decline in the stock.

Today this same crowd of speculators ap-

pear to be covering some of their shorts, and possibly losing some of their gains by overstaying their market in this specialty. The general list continued to show strength and Sugar recovered some of its early loss.

The known movements of money for the week ending at the close of business yes-terday indicate a loss by the banks of \$521,-200. The gain from the interior to the banks amounts to abount \$570,800, but the loss to the subtreasury is about \$1,098,000, compared to a loss last week of nearly

Around 2:30 p.m. the market shaded off fractionally on profit taking.

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Am. Car & Foundry pfd.
Am. Car & Foundry pfd.
American Smelting 50%
American Sugar 127

25 170% 45% 78½ 67% 206% 171% 86%

Republic Steel & Iron... Rubber Goods.....

St Louis Southwestern. Ft. Louis & W., pfd...... Southern Railway... Southern Railway, pfd... Tennessee Coal & Iron... Texas Pacific...... Union Pacific.....

Western enion............ Kansas City Southern.... American Locomotive... American Loco., pfd....

Government Bonds.

58 66 831/4

2 per cents, registered.
2 per cents, coupon.
3 per cents, registered. 1908-1928.
3 per cents, coupon, 1908-1928.
4 per cents, registered, 1907.
4 per cents, coupon, 1907.
5 per cents, registered, 1925.
5 per cents, registered, 1925.
5 per cents, registered, 1904.
D. C. 3.65s.